

this country with the flowering cherries. It has been suggested that this new stock may possibly be easier to cultivate than the mazzard or mahaleb seedlings which are now in use and the propagating work done in the winter on the bench instead of in the field. The difficulty in getting a stock that is large enough to bud in regions where the leaf-blight seriously attacks the mazzard or mahaleb seedlings has suggested a trial of this Japanese wild cherry, which is quite immune to the leaf-blight and which possibly may be a way out of this difficulty. Recent tests in this country have shown that this wild form strikes root readily in sand." (*Peter Bisset.*)

39622 to 39625.

From Bogota, Colombia. Presented by Señor Jorge Ancizar. Received December 30, 1914. Quoted notes by Señor Ancizar.

39622. *ANNONA CHERIMOLA* Miller. Annonaceæ. **Cherimoya.**

39623. *PERSEA AMERICANA* Miller. Lauraceæ. **Avocado.**
(*Persea gratissima* Gaertn.)

39624. *SOLANUM TUBEROSUM* L. Solanaceæ. **Potato.**

"Small potatoes that come much earlier than any other potatoes and are very much appreciated here. They are yellow inside."

Tubers.

39625. *CEREUS* sp. Cactaceæ. **Pitahaya.**

"*Pitahaya*, a kind of creeping cactus that bears a beautiful large white flower and gives a very nice fruit; to be eaten with a little sugar and wine sometimes."

Cuttings.

39626. *THUNBERGIA GIBSONI* S. Moore. Acanthaceæ.

From Lawang, Java. Presented by Mr. M. Buysman, Botanic Gardens. Received December 26, 1914.

"From eastern tropical Africa; it is a fine climbing plant with fiery orange-red flowers." (*Buysman.*)

"The flowers are clear orange color, about 1½ inches in diameter. They rise solitary from the leaf axils of the prostrate growths on erect 3-inch purplish pedicels, and burst through one side of the balloonlike paired and united crimson-stained bracts. The leaves are opposite, about an inch long, triangular, firm textured, and glossy above. Introduced from British East Africa." (*Gardeners' Chronicle, May 17, 1913.*)

39627 to 39630.

From Petrograd, Russia. Presented by the director, Imperial Botanic Garden. Received December 28, 1914.

39627 to 39629. *TAMARIX* spp. Tamaricaceæ. **Tamarisk.**

39627. *TAMARIX KARELINI* HIRTA Litv.

From Turkestan.

39628. *TAMARIX PENTANDRA* Pallas.

Var. *brachystachys*. On clayey deserts, Farab, Bokhara, Turkestan, October 23, 1914. Collected by Mr. H. B. Androsow.